

ABSTRACT

The present invention concerns a liquid textile-pretreating agent useful in all continuous
5 and batch pretreatment operations which is based on phosphoric esters of alkoxylated
Guerbet alcohols and is very stable to alkali not only in the formulation but also in the
liquor. It is usually used in the form of an aqueous composition having an active content
in the range from 40% to 70% by weight, with or without 0.1% to 3.5% by weight of
further auxiliary materials, examples being surfactants, biocides, defoamers or foam
10 suppressants.